



SQUADRON

Civil Air Patrol/Cape May

From the Commander

This summer has really come and gone. We have been so busy that the time has just passed us by like the wind. With all the events like Encampment, Glider Encampment, NCO Academy, Honor Guard Academy, Cadet Officer School, Falcon Flight, the Atlantic City Air Show, as well as work, vacations and just goofing off, it is now the time to head back to school.

If you have not promoted or taken any of your tests for promotion, please try to do so before you get back to school and get buried down with homework. Remember, effective 01 September 2008, we will be back to our normal uniform routine. It was nice to wear our t-shirts and shorts for the summer, as it is a lot cooler, but we must go back to our uniform routine. Please check your uniforms to ensure they are in compliance with regulations.

I would like to say Thank you to our Squadron Moral Leadership Officer, Chaplain Joseph Coffey. LCDR. Coffey is being transferred to a U.S. Marine Base near San Diego,

California in September 2008. Chaplain Coffey has done a wonderful job at the squadron teaching Moral Leadership and participating in our events. We wish you the best of luck and we will remember you for a long time here in Cape May. Whenever you come back home on leave to visit your family, please feel free to stop by your second family here at the squadron.

I would also like to say farewell to one of our Cadet Officers, C/2Lt Coleman Calhoun. Cadet Calhoun is leaving our squadron due to his father being transferred to Washington D.C. to continue his fine work with the U.S. Coast Guard. Cadet Calhoun has been a member of our squadron for the past 4 years. He intends to continue his CAP Experience with a squadron in Virginia. We wish you the best of luck in Virginia.

I would like to remind the entire squadron that SAFETY is the primary concern in everything we do, either at the squadron or at home. Practice safety in everything you do, and you can enjoy what

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life has to offer, you can't enjoy it if you are injured. So let's be safe out there. We will be conducting monthly safety briefings and how to report incidents, what incidents need to be reported, and to whom, starting in September 2008. It is very important that you are there when we conduct these instructions so you are aware of what and what not to do.

"SEMPER OPTIMUS"

**Kevin L. Barstow, Captain/CAP
Commander, NER-NJ-009**

Public Affairs

I want to apologize for not producing an August newsletter. I was working on the Basic Encampment Staff at the end of July and beginning of August and just couldn't get to it. This issue will be the first, hopefully last, combined issue for me! Recently, I had my first call as a Ground Team Leader from an Incident Commander. Although I did not go out with the team because of my longer travel time, Maj Simon and Capt Simon took over and successfully found the ELT! Way to go! So don't be surprised if you get a call from me for a mission at a weird hour of the night!

I want to encourage everyone to sign up for **NJCAP** if you haven't already. There is a link to it on our website:

<http://capemay.njwg.cap.gov/index.html>

NJCAP is a way for NJ Wing to inform members of upcoming events, training, and news. Please check your email regularly, as it is also the primary source of relaying info among the squadron! And check our site for calendar updates!

Parents, we are always in need of snack and drink donations, as well as office and cleaning supplies. Please help if you can. Thank you! Any questions, email me at:

ejsltb@comcast.net

**2Lt Sandra Kooker
Public Affairs Officer**

Congratulations!

C/1Lt Tristan Kooker –Solo Flight

Promotions

C/Amn Brendan Flynn to C/A1C

Great Job!



C/Amn Brendan Flynn was promoted to C/A1C in August!
Congratulations!



Aerospace Education Officer 2Lt Lance Williams had a fun class for us in July –we learned about making hydrogen!

A Note From the Cadet Staff

I think our squadron has been doing much better in the past few months. We sent two cadets, C/Coughlin and C/Fontaine to encampment, and have also been able to bring a few new members into the program. However, one area that I really think we can improve on is testing and promoting. In theory, it is possible to complete one achievement every two months, according to CAPR 52-16. While I am not saying that you have to promote that fast, I would still prefer to see people promoting more than once every one or two years. By progressing, you open up a lot more opportunities to develop your leadership, as well as attend cool activities such as Honor Guard Academy and Cadet Officer School. If you need help with testing or promoting, go through your chain of command to ask for help, and the cadet staff will work on getting a mentor assigned to you. If you need to, you can also email me at: **dementedcat@comcast.net**.

C/1Lt Tristan Kooker
Cadet Executive Officer

To All Cadet Personnel:

Uniforms issued by USAF are accountable. When personnel leave, squadron uniforms will be turned in. This is a Must! If you have any questions, see Supply.

Maj Wayne Ingling
Supply Officer

Upcoming Events:

13 September - Wildwood Fireman's Parade— uniform BDU's

20 September - Ocean City Airfest— uniform BDU's

25-26 October —Corporate Learning Course

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

August

1Lt Robert Zeier

2Lt Fred Boyle

SM Victor Hartley

C/Amn John Edwards

C/Amn Timothy Fisher

C/AB Joshua Velli

September

C/SrA Adam Alexander

C/AB Dillon Gamache



Anniversaries

Maj Richard Simon (Sept.)

Capt Richard Fellows (Aug.)

2Lt Lance Williams (Aug.)

SM James Romano (Sept.)

C/MSgt Christine Aigbogun (Sept.)

C/SSgt Victoria Stackhouse (Sept.)

C/Amn Louis Sicilia (Sept.)

Welcome New Members

C/AB Tyler Hentges

C/AB Joshua Velli



Support Search & Rescue

GET LOST !

Hello! I hope everyone has had a good Summer and enjoyed their vacations!!!

Now lets get down to the good stuff. Now that summer is over and everyone is getting back into school mode, hopefully many of you will be returning back to the squadron. **I want to challenge all of you that are not GES qualified to start working towards becoming GES qualified. Why?** -So that you can start working towards getting certified as a ground team member. -And so that you may one day attend GSAR school, and work towards getting your Ground team Member/Leader badge. If any of you are looking forward to going on missions, GES is the first step towards going on missions. And GES is not very hard to complete, it should only take you a short amount of time on the good old computer.

Go to this link and do tests 116 Part 1 and 117 Part 1.

<https://tests.cap.af.mil/newtests/test.cfm?grp=dos>

You can use the links below to get all the information you need to pass the tests.

http://level2.cap.gov/documents/u_082503073358.pdf

http://level2.cap.gov/documents/u_082503080636.pdf

<http://level2.cap.gov/index.cfm?nodeID=5312>

You will also need to take the FEMA course Introduction to Incident Command System, I-100. You can get it by looking on the NJ Wing website, or with this link:

<http://training.fema.gov:80/EMIWeb/IS/IS100A.asp>

Print out your certificate when you complete the FEMA course, and bring a copy to the squadron for your file. Now that everyone is returning to school we are attempting to update our Emergency Services Alert Roster. What I need from everyone that is interested in responding to missions, that is GES qualified, is to shoot me an e-mail with a good phone number and days and times that you are available. Remember a lot of times these missions come at night or early mornings, so get your 24hour gear together if you don't haven't yet, and keep it ready to go by the door to save time. If you have any questions, ask your chain of command or feel free to email me: **ejsltb@comcast.net**.

2Lt Evan Kooker
Emergency Services Officer

Senior Member In the Spotlight

- **Name:** John Sammons
- **Job/Profession:** Graphic Artist/Design Consultant
- **When I was a kid I wanted to grow up to be:** Pilot & Disney Imagineer
- **Excuse me if I brag about:** My boys, Ollie & Cass
- **If I could invite four people to dinner, I would invite:** Mary Ellen, Carla, Mare, Tony & JB (always room for one more!)
- **And we would discuss (at dinner):** Life in general and the future of our world
- **If I could be invisible for one hour, I would:** See what my dogs do when I'm not home!
- **My favorite singing group:** Beatles
- **The one TV show I'm glued to is:** CSI
- **If I could eat three things for the rest of my life, they would be:** Steak, Chicken & Japanese food.
- **The worst movie I ever saw was:** (Can't remember...love most movies)
- **The best movie I ever saw was:** "The 5 People You Meet In Heaven"
- **The person I look up to most is:** Mary Ellen
- **If I could have anything in the world, I would want:** True happiness for another day or two.
- **Something I've always wanted to do is:** Take a low, slow, cross country trip in a Piper Super Cub or Stearman biplane.
- **Place I'd like to visit:** Australia & American Southwest
- **If I could change one thing about myself, it would be:** My vision
- **Where I'd like to be and what I'd like to be doing in ten years is:** Working at something I love (only when I want to), be financially secure and travel the country (preferably in a Stearman or Cub!).
- **My goal in CAP is:** To continue to serve in whatever capacity I'm needed, try to set a good example and stress to the cadets (and Seniors) the importance of CAP's core values, not only in the squadron, but in life, too.



Cadets, if you are interested in Glider Flights, be sure to take the Wing Runner Course online. Find it at::

www.njwg.cap.gov

Look for Operations on the left, then Flight Training Courses and Tests, and SSF/CAP Wing Runner Course– then click on Wing Runner Course. After you take the test, print out your certificate and bring it to the squadron for your file.

From the Cadets



2Lt Williams made our aerospace education class really interesting in July by teaching us about hydrogen and the science behind fuel cells and alternate energy.

from a yacht named "Trouble Maker." Of course, we slammed into it, but fortunately we didn't make a hole. The Trouble Maker is in the middle of the bay, which is why it has been banged into numerous times. Everyone hates that boat.

C/A1C Brendan Flynn



This past week I had my whole room redone. I couldn't wait for my room to be cleaned and have all the holes in the wall fixed. I got all new furniture and a new rug. But for the bad news, I just got fired from my job right down the street from the squadron at the Erma Deli. I'm still trying to think what I did wrong, but it seems that my boss came up with a ridiculous reason. But other than that, everything is going great!

C/Amn Louis Sicilia

This summer I took sailing classes. About twenty other kids and I sailed Sunfishes and Optimists in the bay behind my house. One time we played "sponge tag." In Sponge tag you sail your boat around the bay and try to tag someone else's boat with your sponge. Once you tag someone else's boat with your sponge, the people in that boat are "it." So, we were in the middle of a game when my crew and I tagged another boat. We laughed at them then turned around and screamed as loud as we could. Why? Because we were about five inches away

I am a new member of the Civil Air Patrol program. So far I have had a lot of fun participating with the meetings and their activities. I have also learned a lot about the program and how great it is to be a part of CAP. CAP will help you with a lot of things if you are thinking about joining any type of military. I am really looking forward to my future with CAP.

C/AB Tyler Hentges

From the Cadets

Last month, I attended Basic Encampment for cadets, and I learned a few things. I learned a little bit about myself and even more about those around me. I experienced an Army Obstacle Course and observed a Leadership Reaction Course as students from West Point Prep School worked their way through it. I became more proficient in the practice of Drill & Leadership. Although the first few days were boring and somewhat difficult to work through, everyone managed, and the experience and training was well worth all the work that all cadets put into it, staff and basics alike. Thanks to all staff for encampment,

C/TSgt Craig Coughlin

On July 19, 2008, I soloed in a Civil Air Patrol aircraft. After flying for almost two years, and gaining over 50 hours of experience, this was the greatest moment of my flight training career. After spending many paychecks, and sitting in the car for countless hours driving to airports across the state, it was good to finally be making progress.

On July 19, I woke up at about 5 am, in order to get to Central Jersey Regional Airport by 8 am, where I was scheduled to meet with my instructor, Capt Eugene Harris. After arriving, I performed a few touch-and-go's under the supervision of Capt Harris. Since he felt that I was performing much better than I had before, he

called another instructor, and had him evaluate me. Since I continued to do well, Capt Harris decided that I was ready to solo, although he did not tell me immediately.

At about 10 am, we departed Central Jersey Airport, and flew to Trenton, a distance of about 18 miles. I later learned that Capt Harris decided to go to Trenton because there is a control tower there, and he felt that a controlled airport would be a better environment for me to solo in. After arriving at Trenton, I performed three more touch-and-go's with Capt Harris in the right seat. After the third landing, he told me to taxi back to the parking area. At first, I thought that I had made some horrific mistake. However, after parking, Capt. Harris opened the door and exited the aircraft. He told me to make three full stop landings, and to tell the tower that I was doing my first solo.

I nervously taxied the aircraft away from the parking area and toward the runway. After waiting for a few minutes for another aircraft to clear the runway, I took off on my own for the first time. I managed to fly the traffic pattern without hitting anything, and I soon landed, came to a stop, and taxied back to the departure end of the runway. The second and third landings were pretty much the same thing, although they were much easier, because I was a lot less nervous. After the third landing, I parked the aircraft, shut it down, and proceeded to celebrate

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with my instructor. After about half an hour, we flew back to Central Jersey, and I was able to tell my parents. Overall, it was the best experience I have had as a Civil Air Patrol cadet.

C/1Lt Tristan Kooker

On the 28th of August I will be leaving for college! Classes do not start until September 3rd, but I am really excited and anxious to be moving in so soon! The college I will be attending is Richard Stockton College. There I will study psychology in hopes of becoming a psychiatrist in the future. I only have four classes I am taking, but a lot of studying to do! The next time I will be in the area will be during Thanksgiving, but before then I will send updates of how everything is going here for the newsletters! Thank you for everything in advance!

C/MSgt Christine Aigbogun

The past few months of CAP have been exciting. I attended the two week long Honor Guard Academy, and did an **extremely fun** baby parade where we held banners and marched the entire Wildwood "bored" walk. The Honor Guard Academy was extremely fun. It is a six week long course, separated into 3 years, full of drill, rifle movements, drill, color guard practice, drill, body bearers practice, drill, and a little bit of drill. The

USAF Honor Guardsmen were there and they showed us the basic Honor Guard drill movements. I successfully completed my first year and hope to attend the second year of the academy. I can't wait for next year!....Because I can do the baby parade again.

C/SSgt Dylan Rutherford

On the 2nd of August it was my birthday. For my birthday present I decided to run a local race, which happened to be the Captain Bill Gallagher Island Run on the Sea Isle City beach. I received new sunglasses and running gear for the day as well, and the conditions were right to race.

About 1,000 people participated in the run, and I finished in 1:14:57, coming in 65th place. Though my shoes got wet and my time was four minutes slower, I am happy to say that I had a wonderful day indeed!

C/Amn Timothy Fisher

